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Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Regula, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bill; which was committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That the following sums are appropriated, out of any
- 4 money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the
- 5 Department of the Interior and related agencies for the
- 6 fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other pur-
- 7 poses, namely:

1	SEC. 120. The Great Marsh Trail at the Mason Neck
2	National Wildlife Refuge in Virginia is hereby named for
3	Joseph V. Gartlan, Jr. and shall hereafter be referred to
4	in any law, document, or records of the United States as
5	the "Joseph V. Gartlan, Jr. Great Marsh Trail".
6	Sec. 121. Funds appropriated for the Bureau of In-
7	dian Affairs for postsecondary schools for fiscal year 2001
8	shall be allocated among the schools proportionate to the
9	unmet need of the schools as determined by the Postsec-
10	ondary Funding Formula adopted by the Office of Indian
11	Education Programs.
12	SEC. 122. None of the funds in this Act may be ex-
13	pended by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to
14	establish a National Wildlife Refuge in the Yolo Bypass
15	of California.
16	TITLE II—RELATED AGENCIES
17	DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
18	FOREST SERVICE
19	FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH
20	For necessary expenses of forest and rangeland re-
21	search as authorized by law, \$224,966,000, to remain
22	available until expended.
23	STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY
24	For necessary expenses of cooperating with and pro-
25	viding technical and financial assistance to States, terri-

1	Any appropriations or funds available to the Forest
2	Service may be used for necessary expenses in the event
3	of law enforcement emergencies as necessary to protect
4	natural resources and public or employee safety: Provided,
5	That such amounts shall not exceed \$500,000.
6	Section 551 of the Land Between the Lakes Protec-
7	tion Act of 1998 (16 U.S.C. 460lll-61) is amended by add-
8	ing at the end the following new subsection:
9	"(c) Transition.—Until September 30, 2002, the
10	Secretary of Agriculture may expend amounts appro-
11	priated or otherwise made available to carry out this title
12	in a manner consistent with the authorities exercised by
13	the Tennessee Valley Authority, before the transfer of the
14	Recreation Area to the administrative jurisdiction of the
15	Secretary, regarding procurement of property, services,
16	supplies, and equipment.".
17	DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
18	CLEAN COAL TECHNOLOGY
19	(DEFERRAL)
20	Of the funds made available under this heading for
21	obligation in prior years, \$67,000,000 shall not be avail-
22	able until October 1, 2001: Provided, That funds made
23	available in previous appropriations Acts shall be available
24	for any ongoing project regardless of the separate request
25	for proposal under which the project was selected.

1	ENERGY RESOURCE, SUPPLY AND EFFICIENCY
2	(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)
3	For necessary expenses in carrying out energy con-
4	servation activities and for fossil energy research and de-
5	velopment activities, under the authority of the Depart-
6	ment of Energy Organization Act (Public Law 95–91), in-
7	cluding the acquisition of interest, including defeasible and
8	equitable interests in any real property or any facility or
9	for plant or facility acquisition or expansion, and for con-
10	ducting inquiries, technological investigations and re-
11	search concerning the extraction, processing, use, and dis-
12	posal of mineral substances without objectionable social
13	and environmental costs (30 U.S.C. 3, 1602, and 1603),
14	performed under the minerals and materials science pro-
15	grams at the Albany Research Center in Oregon,
16	\$1,139,611,000, to remain available until expended, of
17	which $\$2,000,000$ shall be derived by transfer from unobli-
18	gated balances in the Biomass Energy Development ac-
19	count: Provided, That \$153,500,000 shall be for use in
20	energy conservation programs as defined in section
21	3008(3) of Public Law 99–509 (15 U.S.C. 4507): <i>Pro-</i>
22	vided further, That notwithstanding section 3003(d)(2) of
23	Public Law 99–509, such sums shall be allocated to the
24	eligible programs as follows: \$120,000,000 for weatheriza-
25	tion assistance grants and \$33,500,000 for State energy

1 conservation grants: Provided further, That no part of the sum herein made available shall be used for the field test-2 ing of nuclear explosives in the recovery of oil and gas. 3 4 ALTERNATIVE FUELS PRODUCTION 5 (RESCISSION) unobligated balances under this head. 6 Of the 7 \$1,000,000 are rescinded. 8 NAVAL PETROLEUM AND OIL SHALE RESERVES 9 The requirements of 10 U.S.C. 7430(b)(2)(B) shall 10 not apply to fiscal year 2001 and any fiscal year there-11 after: Provided, That, notwithstanding any other provision 12 of law, unobligated funds remaining from prior years shall 13 be available for all naval petroleum and oil shale reserve 14 activities. 15 ELK HILLS SCHOOL LANDS FUND 16 For necessary expenses in fulfilling the third installment payment under the Settlement Agreement entered 17 into by the United States and the State of California on 18 19 October 11, 1996, as authorized by section 3415 of Public Law 104–106, \$36,000,000, to become available on Octo-20 21 ber 1, 2001 for payment to the State of California for 22 the State Teachers' Retirement Fund from the Elk Hills

School Lands Fund.

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1	ECONOMIC REGULATION
2	For necessary expenses in carrying out the activities
3	of the Office of Hearings and Appeals, \$1,992,000, to re-
4	main available until expended.
5	STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE
6	For necessary expenses for Strategic Petroleum Re-
7	serve facility development and operations and program
8	management activities pursuant to the Energy Policy and
9	Conservation Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6201
10	et seq.), \$157,000,000, to remain available until expended.
11	ENERGY INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION
12	For necessary expenses in carrying out the activities
13	of the Energy Information Administration, \$72,368,000,
14	to remain available until expended.
15	ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
16	Appropriations under this Act for the current fiscal
17	year shall be available for hire of passenger motor vehicles;
18	hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft; purchase, re-
19	pair, and cleaning of uniforms; and reimbursement to the
20	General Services Administration for security guard serv-
21	ices.
22	From appropriations under this Act, transfers of
23	sums may be made to other agencies of the Government
24	for the performance of work for which the appropriation
25	is made.

- None of the funds made available to the Department 2 of Energy under this Act shall be used to implement or 3 finance authorized price support or loan guarantee pro-4 grams unless specific provision is made for such programs
- 5 in an appropriations Act.
- The Secretary is authorized to accept lands, build-6 ings, equipment, and other contributions from public and 7 private sources and to prosecute projects in cooperation 8 with other agencies, Federal, State, private or foreign: 9 *Provided*, That revenues and other moneys received by or 10 11 for the account of the Department of Energy or otherwise 12 generated by sale of products in connection with projects 13 of the Department appropriated under this Act may be retained by the Secretary of Energy, to be available until 14 15 expended, and used only for plant construction, operation, costs, and payments to cost-sharing entities as provided 16 17 in appropriate cost-sharing contracts or agreements: Provided further, That the remainder of revenues after the 18 19 making of such payments shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts: Provided further, That any 20 21 contract, agreement, or provision thereof entered into by 22 the Secretary pursuant to this authority shall not be executed prior to the expiration of 30 calendar days (not in-23 cluding any day in which either House of Congress is not 24

in session because of adjournment of more than three cal-

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1	endar days to a day certain) from the receipt by the
2	Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Presi-
3	dent of the Senate of a full comprehensive report on such
4	project, including the facts and circumstances relied upon
5	in support of the proposed project.
6	No funds provided in this Act may be expended by
7	the Department of Energy to prepare, issue, or process
8	procurement documents for programs or projects for
9	which appropriations have not been made.
10	In addition to other authorities set forth in this Act,
11	the Secretary may accept fees and contributions from pub-
12	lic and private sources, to be deposited in a contributed
13	funds account, and prosecute projects using such fees and
14	contributions in cooperation with other Federal, State or
15	private agencies or concerns.
16	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
17	SERVICES
18	Indian Health Service
19	INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES
20	For expenses necessary to carry out the Act of Au-
21	gust 5, 1954 (68 Stat. 674), the Indian Self-Determina-
22	tion Act, the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and
23	titles II and III of the Public Health Service Act with re-
24	spect to the Indian Health Service, \$2,084,178,000, to-
25	gether with payments received during the fiscal year pur-

- 1 authorized by section 104(d) of the Act: Provided, That
- 2 such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans,
- 3 shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional
- 4 Budget Act of 1974: Provided further, That these funds
- 5 are available to subsidize total loan principal, any part of
- 6 which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed \$200,000,000.
- 7 The Trust is authorized to issue obligations to the Sec-
- 8 retary of the Treasury pursuant to section 104(d)(3) of
- 9 the Act, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.

10 TITLE III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 11 Sec. 301. The expenditure of any appropriation
- 12 under this Act for any consulting service through procure-
- 13 ment contract, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109, shall be limited
- 14 to those contracts where such expenditures are a matter
- 15 of public record and available for public inspection, except
- 16 where otherwise provided under existing law, or under ex-
- 17 isting Executive order issued pursuant to existing law.
- 18 Sec. 302. No part of any appropriation under this
- 19 Act shall be available to the Secretary of the Interior or
- 20 the Secretary of Agriculture for the leasing of oil and nat-
- 21 ural gas by noncompetitive bidding on publicly owned
- 22 lands within the boundaries of the Shawnee National For-
- 23 est, Illinois: Provided, That nothing herein is intended to
- 24 inhibit or otherwise affect the sale, lease, or right to access
- 25 to minerals owned by private individuals.

- 1 Sec. 303. No part of any appropriation contained in
- 2 this Act shall be available for any activity or the publica-
- 3 tion or distribution of literature that in any way tends to
- 4 promote public support or opposition to any legislative
- 5 proposal on which congressional action is not complete.
- 6 Sec. 304. No part of any appropriation contained in
- 7 this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the
- 8 current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.
- 9 Sec. 305. None of the funds provided in this Act to
- 10 any department or agency shall be obligated or expended
- 11 to provide a personal cook, chauffeur, or other personal
- 12 servants to any officer or employee of such department
- 13 or agency except as otherwise provided by law.
- 14 Sec. 306. No assessments may be levied against any
- 15 program, budget activity, subactivity, or project funded by
- 16 this Act unless advance notice of such assessments and
- 17 the basis therefor are presented to the Committees on Ap-
- 18 propriations and are approved by such committees.
- 19 Sec. 307. (a) Compliance With Buy American
- 20 Act.—None of the funds made available in this Act may
- 21 be expended by an entity unless the entity agrees that in
- 22 expending the funds the entity will comply with sections
- 23 2 through 4 of the Act of March 3, 1933 (41 U.S.C. 10a-
- 24 10c; popularly known as the "Buy American Act").

1	(b) Sense of the	Congress;	REQUIREMENT	Re-
2	GARDING NOTICE.—			

- 3 (1) Purchase of American-Made equipment 4 AND PRODUCTS.—In the case of any equipment or product that may be authorized to be purchased 5 with financial assistance provided using funds made 6 7 available in this Act, it is the sense of the Congress that entities receiving the assistance should, in ex-8 9 pending the assistance, purchase only American-10 made equipment and products.
- 11 (2) NOTICE TO RECIPIENTS OF ASSISTANCE.—
 12 In providing financial assistance using funds made
 13 available in this Act, the head of each Federal agen14 cy shall provide to each recipient of the assistance
 15 a notice describing the statement made in paragraph
 16 (1) by the Congress.
- (c) Prohibition of Contracts With Persons 17 Falsely Labeling Products as Made in America.— 18 19 If it has been finally determined by a court or Federal agency that any person intentionally affixed a label bear-20 ing a "Made in America" inscription, or any inscription 21 22 with the same meaning, to any product sold in or shipped to the United States that is not made in the United 23 States, the person shall be ineligible to receive any con-24 25 tract or subcontract made with funds made available in

- 1 this Act, pursuant to the debarment, suspension, and ineli-
- 2 gibility procedures described in sections 9.400 through
- 3 9.409 of title 48, Code of Federal Regulations.
- 4 (d) Effective Date.—The provisions of this sec-
- 5 tion are applicable in fiscal year 2000 and thereafter.
- 6 Sec. 308. None of the funds in this Act may be used
- 7 to plan, prepare, or offer for sale timber from trees classi-
- 8 fied as giant sequoia (Sequoiadendron giganteum) which
- 9 are located on National Forest System or Bureau of Land
- 10 Management lands in a manner different than such sales
- 11 were conducted in fiscal year 2000.
- 12 Sec. 309. None of the funds made available by this
- 13 Act may be obligated or expended by the National Park
- 14 Service to enter into or implement a concession contract
- 15 which permits or requires the removal of the underground
- 16 lunchroom at the Carlsbad Caverns National Park.
- 17 Sec. 310. None of the funds appropriated or other-
- 18 wise made available by this Act may be used for the
- 19 AmeriCorps program, unless the relevant agencies of the
- 20 Department of the Interior and/or Agriculture follow ap-
- 21 propriate reprogramming guidelines: Provided, That if no
- 22 funds are provided for the AmeriCorps program by the
- 23 Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban
- 24 Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations
- 25 Act, 2001, then none of the funds appropriated or other-

- 1 wise made available by this Act may be used for the
- 2 AmeriCorps programs.
- 3 Sec. 311. None of the funds made available in this
- 4 Act may be used: (1) to demolish the bridge between Jer-
- 5 sey City, New Jersey, and Ellis Island; or (2) to prevent
- 6 pedestrian use of such bridge, when it is made known to
- 7 the Federal official having authority to obligate or expend
- 8 such funds that such pedestrian use is consistent with gen-
- 9 erally accepted safety standards.
- 10 Sec. 312. (a) Limitation of Funds.—None of the
- 11 funds appropriated or otherwise made available pursuant
- 12 to this Act shall be obligated or expended to accept or
- 13 process applications for a patent for any mining or mill
- 14 site claim located under the general mining laws.
- 15 (b) Exceptions.—The provisions of subsection (a)
- 16 shall not apply if the Secretary of the Interior determines
- 17 that, for the claim concerned: (1) a patent application was
- 18 filed with the Secretary on or before September 30, 1994;
- 19 and (2) all requirements established under sections 2325
- 20 and 2326 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 29 and 30)
- 21 for vein or lode claims and sections 2329, 2330, 2331,
- 22 and 2333 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 35, 36, and
- 23 37) for placer claims, and section 2337 of the Revised
- 24 Statutes (30 U.S.C. 42) for mill site claims, as the case

- 1 may be, were fully complied with by the applicant by that
- 2 date.
- 3 (c) Report.—On September 30, 2001, the Secretary
- 4 of the Interior shall file with the House and Senate Com-
- 5 mittees on Appropriations and the Committee on Re-
- 6 sources of the House of Representatives and the Com-
- 7 mittee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate
- 8 a report on actions taken by the Department under the
- 9 plan submitted pursuant to section 314(c) of the Depart-
- 10 ment of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations
- 11 Act, 1997 (Public Law 104–208).
- 12 (d) Mineral Examinations.—In order to process
- 13 patent applications in a timely and responsible manner,
- 14 upon the request of a patent applicant, the Secretary of
- 15 the Interior shall allow the applicant to fund a qualified
- 16 third-party contractor to be selected by the Bureau of
- 17 Land Management to conduct a mineral examination of
- 18 the mining claims or mill sites contained in a patent appli-
- 19 cation as set forth in subsection (b). The Bureau of Land
- 20 Management shall have the sole responsibility to choose
- 21 and pay the third-party contractor in accordance with the
- 22 standard procedures employed by the Bureau of Land
- 23 Management in the retention of third-party contractors.
- SEC. 313. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 25 law, amounts appropriated to or earmarked in committee

- reports for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian
 Health Service by Public Laws 103–138, 103–332, 104–
- 3 134, 104–208, 105–83, 105–277, and 106–113 for pay-
- 4 ments to tribes and tribal organizations for contract sup-
- 5 port costs associated with self-determination or self-gov-
- 6 ernance contracts, grants, compacts, or annual funding
- 7 agreements with the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the In-
- 8 dian Health Service as funded by such Acts, are the total
- 9 amounts available for fiscal years 1994 through 2000 for
- 10 such purposes, except that, for the Bureau of Indian Af-
- 11 fairs, tribes and tribal organizations may use their tribal
- 12 priority allocations for unmet indirect costs of ongoing
- 13 contracts, grants, self-governance compacts or annual
- 14 funding agreements.
- 15 Sec. 314. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 16 law, for fiscal year 2001 the Secretaries of Agriculture and
- 17 the Interior are authorized to limit competition for water-
- 18 shed restoration project contracts as part of the "Jobs in
- 19 the Woods" component of the President's Forest Plan for
- 20 the Pacific Northwest, or the Jobs in the Woods Program
- 21 established in Region 10 of the Forest Service to individ-
- 22 uals and entities in historically timber-dependent areas in
- 23 the States of Washington, Oregon, northern California
- 24 and Alaska that have been affected by reduced timber har-
- 25 vesting on Federal lands.

1	SEC. 315. None of the funds collected under the Rec-
2	reational Fee Demonstration program may be used to
3	plan, design, or construct a visitor center or any other per-
4	manent structure without prior approval of the House and
5	the Senate Committees on Appropriations if the estimated
6	total cost of the facility exceeds \$500,000.
7	SEC. 316. All interests created under leases, conces-
8	sions, permits and other agreements associated with the
9	properties administered by the Presidio Trust, hereafter
10	shall be exempt from all taxes and special assessments of
11	every kind by the State of California and its political sub-
12	divisions.
13	SEC. 317. None of the funds made available in this
14	or any other Act for any fiscal year may be used to des-
15	ignate, or to post any sign designating, any portion of Ca-
16	naveral National Seashore in Brevard County, Florida, as
17	a clothing-optional area or as an area in which public nu-
18	dity is permitted, if such designation would be contrary
19	to county ordinance.
20	Sec. 318. Of the funds provided to the National En-
21	dowment for the Arts—
22	(1) The Chairperson shall only award a grant
23	to an individual if such grant is awarded to such in-
24	dividual for a literature fellowship, National Herit-

- age Fellowship, or American Jazz Masters Fellowship.
 ship.
- (2) The Chairperson shall establish procedures 3 4 to ensure that no funding provided through a grant, except a grant made to a State or local arts agency, 5 or regional group, may be used to make a grant to 6 any other organization or individual to conduct ac-7 tivity independent of the direct grant recipient. 8 9 Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit payments 10 made in exchange for goods and services.
- 11 (3) No grant shall be used for seasonal support 12 to a group, unless the application is specific to the 13 contents of the season, including identified programs 14 and/or projects.
- SEC. 319. The National Endowment for the Arts and 15 16 the National Endowment for the Humanities are authorized to solicit, accept, receive, and invest in the name of 17 18 the United States, gifts, bequests, or devises of money and 19 other property or services and to use such in furtherance of the functions of the National Endowment for the Arts 20 21 and the National Endowment for the Humanities. Any 22 proceeds from such gifts, bequests, or devises, after acceptance by the National Endowment for the Arts or the 23 National Endowment for the Humanities, shall be paid by 24 25 the donor or the representative of the donor to the Chair-

- 1 man. The Chairman shall enter the proceeds in a special
- 2 interest-bearing account to the credit of the appropriate
- 3 endowment for the purposes specified in each case.
- 4 Sec. 320. (a) In providing services or awarding fi-
- 5 nancial assistance under the National Foundation on the
- 6 Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 from funds appro-
- 7 priated under this Act, the Chairperson of the National
- 8 Endowment for the Arts shall ensure that priority is given
- 9 to providing services or awarding financial assistance for
- 10 projects, productions, workshops, or programs that serve
- 11 underserved populations.
- 12 (b) In this section:
- 13 (1) The term "underserved population" means
- a population of individuals, including urban minori-
- ties, who have historically been outside the purview
- of arts and humanities programs due to factors such
- as a high incidence of income below the poverty line
- or to geographic isolation.
- 19 (2) The term "poverty line" means the poverty
- 20 line (as defined by the Office of Management and
- Budget, and revised annually in accordance with sec-
- tion 673(2) of the Community Services Block Grant
- Act (42 U.S.C. 9902(2))) applicable to a family of
- the size involved.

1	(c) In providing services and awarding financial as-
2	sistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and
3	Humanities Act of 1965 with funds appropriated by this
4	Act, the Chairperson of the National Endowment for the
5	Arts shall ensure that priority is given to providing serv-
6	ices or awarding financial assistance for projects, produc-
7	tions, workshops, or programs that will encourage public
8	knowledge, education, understanding, and appreciation of
9	the arts.
10	(d) With funds appropriated by this Act to carry out
11	section 5 of the National Foundation on the Arts and Hu-
12	manities Act of 1965—
13	(1) the Chairperson shall establish a grant cat-
14	egory for projects, productions, workshops, or pro-
15	grams that are of national impact or availability or
16	are able to tour several States;
17	(2) the Chairperson shall not make grants ex-
18	ceeding 15 percent, in the aggregate, of such funds
19	to any single State, excluding grants made under the
20	authority of paragraph (1);
21	(3) the Chairperson shall report to the Con-
22	gress annually and by State, on grants awarded by
23	the Chairperson in each grant category under sec-
24	tion 5 of such Act; and

1	(4) the Chairperson shall encourage the use of
2	grants to improve and support community-based
3	music performance and education.
4	Sec. 321. No part of any appropriation contained in
5	this Act shall be expended or obligated to fund new revi-
6	sions of national forest land management plans until new
7	final or interim final rules for forest land management
8	planning are published in the Federal Register. Those na-
9	tional forests which are currently in a revision process,
10	having formally published a Notice of Intent to revise
11	prior to October 1, 1997; those national forests having
12	been court-ordered to revise; those national forests where
13	plans reach the 15 year legally mandated date to revise
14	before or during calendar year 2001; national forests with-
15	in the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem study area; and
16	the White Mountain National Forest are exempt from this
17	section and may use funds in this Act and proceed to com-
18	plete the forest plan revision in accordance with current
19	forest planning regulations.
20	Sec. 322. No part of any appropriation contained in
21	this Act shall be expended or obligated to complete and
22	issue the 5-year program under the Forest and Rangeland
23	Renewable Resources Planning Act.
24	SEC. 323. None of the funds in this Act may be used
25	to support Government-wide administrative functions un-

- 1 less such functions are justified in the budget process and
- 2 funding is approved by the House and Senate Committees
- 3 on Appropriations.
- 4 Sec. 324. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 5 law, none of the funds in this Act may be used for GSA
- 6 Telecommunication Centers or the President's Council on
- 7 Sustainable Development.
- 8 Sec. 325. None of the funds in this Act may be used
- 9 for planning, design or construction of improvements to
- 10 Pennsylvania Avenue in front of the White House without
- 11 the advance approval of the House and Senate Committees
- 12 on Appropriations.
- 13 Sec. 326. Amounts deposited during fiscal year 2000
- 14 in the roads and trails fund provided for in the fourteenth
- 15 paragraph under the heading "FOREST SERVICE" of
- 16 the Act of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat. 843; 16 U.S.C. 501),
- 17 shall be used by the Secretary of Agriculture, without re-
- 18 gard to the State in which the amounts were derived, to
- 19 repair or reconstruct roads, bridges, and trails on National
- 20 Forest System lands or to carry out and administer
- 21 projects to improve forest health conditions, which may
- 22 include the repair or reconstruction of roads, bridges, and
- 23 trails on National Forest System lands in the wildland-
- 24 community interface where there is an abnormally high
- 25 risk of fire. The projects shall emphasize reducing risks

- 1 to human safety and public health and property and en-
- 2 hancing ecological functions, long-term forest productivity,
- 3 and biological integrity. The Secretary shall commence the
- 4 projects during fiscal year 2001, but the projects may be
- 5 completed in a subsequent fiscal year. Funds shall not be
- 6 expended under this section to replace funds which would
- 7 otherwise appropriately be expended from the timber sal-
- 8 vage sale fund. Nothing in this section shall be construed
- 9 to exempt any project from any environmental law.
- 10 Sec. 327. None of the funds provided in this or pre-
- 11 vious appropriations Acts for the agencies funded by this
- 12 Act or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the
- 13 United States derived by the collection of fees available
- 14 to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be transferred
- 15 to or used to fund personnel, training, or other adminis-
- 16 trative activities at the Council on Environmental Quality
- 17 or other offices in the Executive Office of the President
- 18 for purposes related to the American Heritage Rivers pro-
- 19 gram.
- Sec. 328. Other than in emergency situations, none
- 21 of the funds in this Act may be used to operate telephone
- 22 answering machines during core business hours unless
- 23 such answering machines include an option that enables
- 24 callers to reach promptly an individual on-duty with the
- 25 agency being contacted.

1	Sec. 329. No timber sale in Region 10 shall be adver-
2	tised if the indicated rate is deficit when appraised under
3	the transaction evidence appraisal system using domestic
4	Alaska values for western red cedar: Provided, That sales
5	which are deficit when appraised under the transaction
6	evidence appraisal system using domestic Alaska values
7	for western red cedar may be advertised upon receipt of
8	a written request by a prospective, informed bidder, who
9	has the opportunity to review the Forest Service's cruise
10	and harvest cost estimate for that timber. Program accom-
11	plishments shall be based on volume sold. Should Region
12	10 sell, in fiscal year 2001, the annual average portion
13	of the decadal allowable sale quantity called for in the cur-
14	rent Tongass Land Management Plan in sales which are
15	not deficit when appraised under the transaction evidence
16	appraisal system using domestic Alaska values for western
17	red cedar, all of the western red cedar timber from those
18	sales which is surplus to the needs of domestic processors
19	in Alaska, shall be made available to domestic processors
20	in the contiguous 48 United States at prevailing domestic
21	prices. Should Region 10 sell, in fiscal year 2001, less
22	than the annual average portion of the decadal allowable
23	sale quantity called for in the current Tongass Land Man-
24	agement Plan in sales which are not deficit when ap-
25	praised under the transaction evidence appraisal system

using domestic Alaska values for western red cedar, the 1 volume of western red cedar timber available to domestic 2 processors at prevailing domestic prices in the contiguous 3 48 United States shall be that volume: (i) which is surplus 4 to the needs of domestic processors in Alaska; and (ii) is 5 6 that percent of the surplus western red cedar volume determined by calculating the ratio of the total timber vol-7 ume which has been sold on the Tongass to the annual 8 average portion of the decadal allowable sale quantity 9 10 called for in the current Tongass Land Management Plan. 11 The percentage shall be calculated by Region 10 on a roll-12 ing basis as each sale is sold (for purposes of this amendment, a "rolling basis" shall mean that the determination 13 of how much western red cedar is eligible for sale to var-14 15 ious markets shall be made at the time each sale is award-16 ed). Western red cedar shall be deemed "surplus to the needs of domestic processors in Alaska" when the timber 17 sale holder has presented to the Forest Service docu-18 19 mentation of the inability to sell western red cedar logs from a given sale to domestic Alaska processors at price 20 21 equal to or greater than the log selling value stated in the contract. All additional western red cedar volume not 22 sold to Alaska or contiguous 48 United States domestic 23 processors may be exported to foreign markets at the elec-24 25 tion of the timber sale holder. All Alaska yellow cedar may

- 1 be sold at prevailing export prices at the election of the
- 2 timber sale holder.
- 3 Sec. 330. None of the funds appropriated by this Act
- 4 shall be used to propose or issue rules, regulations, de-
- 5 crees, or orders for the purpose of implementation, or in
- 6 preparation for implementation, of the Kyoto Protocol
- 7 which was adopted on December 11, 1997, in Kyoto,
- 8 Japan at the Third Conference of the Parties to the
- 9 United Nations Framework Convention on Climate
- 10 Change, which has not been submitted to the Senate for
- 11 advice and consent to ratification pursuant to article II,
- 12 section 2, clause 2, of the United States Constitution, and
- 13 which has not entered into force pursuant to article 25
- 14 of the Protocol.
- 15 Sec. 331. Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 16 law, none of the funds in this Act may be used to enter
- 17 into any new or expanded self-determination contract or
- 18 grant or self-governance compact pursuant to the Indian
- 19 Self-Determination Act of 1975, as amended, for any ac-
- 20 tivities not previously covered by such contracts, compacts
- 21 or grants. Nothing in this section precludes the continu-
- 22 ation of those specific activities for which self-determina-
- 23 tion and self-governance contracts, compacts and grants
- 24 currently exist or the renewal of contracts, compacts and

- 1 grants for those activities or compliance with 25 U.S.C.
- 2 2005.
- 3 Sec. 332. In fiscal years 2001 through 2005, the
- 4 Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture may pilot test
- 5 joint permitting and leasing programs, subject to annual
- 6 review of Congress, and promulgate special rules as need-
- 7 ed to test the feasibility of issuing unified permits, applica-
- 8 tions, and leases. The Secretaries of the Interior and Agri-
- 9 culture may make reciprocal delegations of their respective
- 10 authorities, duties and responsibilities in support of the
- 11 "Service First" initiative to promote customer service and
- 12 efficiency. Nothing herein shall alter, expand or limit the
- 13 applicability of any public law or regulation to lands ad-
- 14 ministered by the Bureau of Land Management or the
- 15 Forest Service.
- 16 Sec. 333. Federal and State Cooperative Wa-
- 17 TERSHED RESTORATION AND PROTECTION IN COLORADO.
- 18 (a) USE OF COLORADO STATE FOREST SERVICE.—Until
- 19 September 30, 2004, the Secretary of Agriculture, via co-
- 20 operative agreement or contract (including sole source
- 21 contract) as appropriate, may permit the Colorado State
- 22 Forest Service to perform watershed restoration and pro-
- 23 tection services on National Forest System lands in the
- 24 State of Colorado when similar and complementary water-
- 25 shed restoration and protection services are being per-

- 1 formed by the State Forest Service on adjacent State or
- 2 private lands. The types of services that may be extended
- 3 to National Forest System lands include treatment of in-
- 4 sect infected trees, reduction of hazardous fuels, and other
- 5 activities to restore or improve watersheds or fish and
- 6 wildlife habitat across ownership boundaries.
- 7 (b) State as Agent.—Except as provided in sub-
- 8 section (c), a cooperative agreement or contract under
- 9 subsection (a) may authorize the State Forester of Colo-
- 10 rado to serve as the agent for the Forest Service in pro-
- 11 viding all services necessary to facilitate the performance
- 12 of watershed restoration and protection services under
- 13 subsection (a). The services to be performed by the Colo-
- 14 rado State Forest Service may be conducted with sub-
- 15 contracts utilizing State contract procedures. Subsections
- 16 (d) and (g) of section 14 of the National Forest Manage-
- 17 ment Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C. 472a) shall not apply to
- 18 services performed under a cooperative agreement or con-
- 19 tract under subsection (a).
- 20 (c) RETENTION OF NEPA RESPONSIBILITIES.—With
- 21 respect to any watershed restoration and protection serv-
- 22 ices on National Forest System lands proposed for per-
- 23 formance by the Colorado State Forest Service under sub-
- 24 section (a), any decision required to be made under the
- 25 National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.

1	4321 et seq.) may not be delegated to the State Forester
2	of Colorado or any other officer or employee of the Colo-
3	rado State Forest Service.
4	Sec. 334. None of the funds made available under
5	this Act may be used to issue a record of decision or any
6	policy implementing the Interior Columbia Basin Eco-
7	system Management Project not prepared pursuant to law
8	as set forth in chapter 6 of title 5, United States Code.
9	SEC. 335. None of the funds provided in this Act,
10	for the agencies funded by this Act, shall be expended for
11	the purposes of design, planning or management of Fed-
12	eral Lands as National Monuments that are designated
13	as National Monuments under the 1906 Antiquities Act,
14	since 1999.
15	TITLE IV—FISCAL YEAR 2000 EMERGENCY
16	SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS
17	DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
18	Bureau of Land Management
19	WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT
20	For an additional amount in fiscal year 2000 for
21	"Wildland Fire Management", \$200,000,000, to remain
22	available until expended, for emergency rehabilitation and
23	wild fire suppression activities: $Provided$, That the entire
24	amount is designated by Congress as an emergency re-
25	quirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Bal-

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